

## Chemistry I: Practice Test: Atomic structure

1: The three basic components of an atom are:

- A. protons, neutrons, and ions
- B. protons, neutrons, and electron**
- C. protons, neutrinos, and ions
- D. protium, deuterium, and tritium

2: An element is determined by the number of:

- A. atoms
- B. electrons
- C. neutrons
- D. protons**

3: The nucleus of an atom consists of:

- A. electrons
- B. neutrons
- C. protons and neutrons**
- D. protons, neutrons, and electrons

4: A single proton has what charge?

- A. no charge
- B. positive charge**
- C. negative charge
- D. Mastercard, Visa, or American Express

5: Which particles have approximately the same size and mass as each other?

- A. neutrons and electrons
- B. electrons and protons
- C. protons and neutrons**
- D. No clue. They don't stay still long enough to get weighed.

6: Which two particles would be attracted to each other?

- A. electrons and neutrons
- B. electrons and protons**
- C. protons and neutrons
- D. all particles are attracted to each other

7: The atomic number of an atom is:

- A. the number of electrons
- B. the number of neutrons
- C. **the number of protons**
- D. the number of protons plus the number of neutrons

8: The mass number of an atom is:

- A. the number of electrons
- B. the number of neutrons
- C. the number of protons
- D. **the number of protons plus the number of neutrons**

9: Changing the number of neutrons of an atom changes the atom into a different

- A. isotope
- B. element
- C. **ion**
- D. outlook on life

10: When you change the number of electrons on an atom, you produce a different:

- A. isotope
- B. **ion**
- C. element
- D. atomic mass

11: According to atomic theory, electrons are usually found:

- A. in the atomic nucleus
- B. **outside the nucleus, yet very near it because they are attracted to the protons**
- C. outside the nucleus and often far from it - most of an atom's volume is its electron cloud
- D. either in the nucleus or around it - electrons are readily found anywhere in an atom

12: To change Li to  $\text{Li}^+$ , you need to:

- A. add one electron
- B. remove one proton
- C. **remove one electron**
- D. do Voodoo magic

13:  $\text{Fe}^{2+}$  and  $\text{Fe}^{3+}$  are different iron:

- A. **ions**
- B. isotopes
- C. elements
- D. atoms

14:  ${}^{14}_6\text{C}$  and  ${}^{12}_6\text{C}$  are examples of carbon:

- A. ions
- B. neutrons
- C. **isotopes**
- D. molecules

15:  ${}^{13}_6\text{C}$  has how many protons?

- A. **6**
- B. 12
- C. 13
- D. 14

16: What is the symbol for an ion which has 8 protons and 10 electrons?

- A.  $\text{N}^{3-}$
- B.  **$\text{O}^{2-}$**
- C.  $\text{O}^{3-}$
- D.  $\text{F}^-$

17: What is the nuclear symbol for the isotope of oxygen which has 9 neutrons?

- A.  ${}^{16}_8\text{O}$
- B.  ${}^{17}_8\text{O}$
- C.  ${}^{18}_8\text{O}$
- D.  ${}^{16}_9\text{O}$

18:  $\text{Li}^+$  has how many electrons? (Hint: the atomic number of lithium is 3)

- A. 0
- B. 1
- C. **2**
- D. 3

19. An element has an atomic number of 76. The number of protons and electrons in a neutral atom of the element are \_\_\_\_.
- a. 152 protons and 76 electrons
  - b. 76 protons and 0 electrons
  - c. 38 protons and 38 electrons
  - d. 76 protons and 76 electrons**
21. What does the number 84 in the name krypton-84 represent?
- a. the atomic number
  - b. the mass number**
  - c. the sum of the protons and electrons
  - d. twice the number of protons
22. All atoms of the same element have the same \_\_\_\_.
- a. number of neutrons
  - b. number of protons**
  - c. mass numbers
  - d. Mass
23. According to the Law of Constant Proportions (Composition), a compound is always made of
- a. different elements and different ratios
  - b. same elements and same ratios**
  - c. same elements with different ratios
  - d. different elements and same ratios
24. Isotopes of the same element have different \_\_\_\_.
- a. positions on the periodic table
  - b. chemical behavior
  - c. atomic numbers
  - d. mass numbers**
25. According to the Law of Multiple Proportions,
- a. two elements can form different whole number ratios to make the same compound
  - b. two elements can form the same whole number ratios to make the same compound
  - c. two elements can form different whole number ratios to make different compounds**
  - d. the dead Greek dudes had no clue!
26. The atomic mass of an element depends upon the \_\_\_\_.
- a. mass of each electron in that element
  - b. mass of each isotope of that element
  - c. relative abundance of protons in that element
  - d. average mass of all of the isotopes of that element**
29. Which of the following is true about subatomic particles?
- a. Electrons are negatively charged and are the heaviest subatomic particle.
  - b. Protons are positively charged and the lightest subatomic particle.
  - c. Neutrons have no charge and are the lightest subatomic particle.
  - d. The mass of a neutron nearly equals the mass of a proton.**
30. What is the relative mass of an electron?
- a. 1/1840 the mass of a proton**
  - b. 1/1840 the mass of a neutron + proton
  - c. 1/1840 the mass of a C-12 atom
  - d. 1/1840 the mass of an alpha particle

31. All atoms are \_\_\_\_.
- a. positively charged, with the number of protons exceeding the number of electrons
  - b. negatively charged, with the number of electrons exceeding the number of protons
  - c. neutral, with the number of protons equaling the number of electrons**
  - d. neutral, with the number of protons equaling the number of electrons, which is equal to the number of neutrons
32. The nucleus of an atom is \_\_\_\_.
- a. the central core and is composed of protons and neutrons**
  - b. positively charged and has more protons than neutrons
  - c. negatively charged and has a high density
  - d. negatively charged and has a low density
33. The atomic number of an element is the total number of which particles in the nucleus?
- a. Neutrons
  - b. Protons**
  - c. Electrons
  - d. protons and electrons

True & False:

38. **False** The electron cloud accounts for most of the mass of an atom.
39. **TRUE** Bohr pictured the atom as having electrons in paths called *orbitals*
58. **TRUE** According to the Gold Foil experiment, atoms are mostly empty space.
59. **False** According to the Gold Foil experiment, atoms do not have a dense nucleus.
60. **False** According to the Gold Foil experiment, the nucleus of atom has a negative charge.
61. **TRUE** According to the Gold Foil experiment, atoms are mostly empty space.
62. **TRUE** In the Gold Foil experiment, beta particles were fired at thin foil.
63. **TRUE** According to the Gold Foil experiment, most of the alpha particles went straight through.
64. **TRUE** According to the Gold Foil experiment, some alpha particles were deflected.

65.**TRUE** According to the Gold Foil experiment, a few alpha particles bounced straight back at the radioactive source.